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The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Chairwoman Committee on Appropriations H-307 The Capitol Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Kay Granger Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations 1036 Longworth HOB Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger,

I am requesting funding for the Industrial Park Drive and Marla Lane Road Resurfacing in fiscal year 2023.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Mulberry, Arkansas. The City's Address is 207 North Main Street Mulberry, Arkansas 72947, and the project is located in Mulberry, Arkansas off of Arkansas Highway 64.

This project will resurface the City of Mulberry's Industrial Park Drive and Marla Lane in the Mulberry Industrial Park with concrete to support increased semi-truck traffic. The project includes erosion control, earthworks, storm drainage, base levels, paving, and signage for both Industrial Park Drive and Marla Lane. My request for this project is \$4 million. The city has received an engineer's design and construction cost opinion that estimates the total project cost at \$5,165,456.99 which includes a 30% cost contingency. The City has committed to completing the project should the Community Project Funding request not cover the cost of construction.

Resurfacing the Industrial Park roads with concrete will allow increased heavy truck traffic at Mulberry's largest concentration of commerce. The Industrial Park is located less than a mile from I-40 and houses many of Mulberry, Arkansas's largest businesses including two trucking companies, an industrial gas supplier, an industrial powder coating company, the largest producer of archery targets in the world, a gate manufacturing company, and the processing facilities for the only dedicated grower and processor of edamame in America. Furthermore, the industrial park recently broke ground on a \$23 million cold storage facility. This industrial park is integral to Mulberry's economic development plans and has received strong community support from local businesses and civic leaders. The City of Mulberry has a population of around 1,600 people.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

Steve Womack

Member of Congress